

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably contributed an exceptional amount of time and energy to bettering the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through professional labors as physicians; and

Whereas, Dr. M.E. Curry is a Doctor of Osteopathy who studied at Sam Houston State Teachers College in Huntsville, Texas, and at the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine and who interned in Fort Worth, Texas, before sharing a rural Texas medical practice with Dr. C.C. Cleveland and three others; and

Whereas, Dr. Curry found that the remote location of his first medical office served to enhance his knowledge and skills as a physician in ways that practicing closer to specialist colleagues and facilities would not have improved; and

Whereas, Dr. Curry opened an office in Willard, Missouri, on July 3, 1978, with the blessing of the Osteopathic Association and friends who were already living there, including pharmacist Lee Bruner; and

Whereas, in partnership from the very beginning with his wife, Nelda, Dr. Curry joyfully allowed a second family member, his daughter Lisa McMichael, also to join the practice as business manager who started working while in high school by sweeping the floors; and

Whereas, with Medicare only four years old and many patients without insurance when he began his family-oriented medical practice, Dr. Curry has always followed his Christian convictions about being fair and helping those in need; and

Whereas, Dr. Curry's imminent seventieth birthday on June 30, 2004, and his recent quadruple bypass surgery have convinced him that retirement after thirty-four years of diligent labor is the right thing to do at this point in his life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, effective medical career of Dr. M.E. Curry and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest best wishes as he partakes of such retirement pleasures as traveling around the country in a motor home and spending time on Table Rock Lake in a houseboat; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Dr. M.E. Curry of Willard, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Roark
District No. 139

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker